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made that many of the conclusions rest upon the data collected by A. Guttstadt in the *Krankenhaus-Lexikon für das Deutsche Reich*.

P. T. Dondlinger.

New Haven, Conn.

Children of the Poor. Descriptions of their life: The possible means of improving conditions under which they are reared. By A. Davies Edwards, Medical Officer, Bournemouth Education Committee. (London: Hammond and Company, 1909. Pp. 74. 1 s. net.)

To one unacquainted with the daily experiences of physicians, teachers and visitors among the very poor in the narrow streets and dark tenements of East London, the brief chapters of this little book give a touching and realistic picture surcharged with human interest. The author gives evidence of experience and of knowledge of the most important forms of social betterment work as it deals with the sufferings and wrongs of children. But his purpose seems to be rather to arouse interest and sympathy than to formulate a wise or elaborate program for dealing with these problems. It will serve to indicate how much is needed to be done, and to instil a desire to do, rather than to point the way.

S. M. L.

Zur Entwicklungsgeschichte des Sozialismus. By Otto Warschauer. (Berlin: Franz Vahlen, 1909. Pp. xvi, 403. 4 m.)

This book is an endeavor to review in an unbiased way the work and writings of the early French exponents of the socialistic theory—Saint-Simon, Fourier, Louis Blanc, and others,—and to discuss the various experiments which have been tried, both in Europe and in the United States, in order to realize their theories.

It is a difficult task which Dr. Warschauer has undertaken. Most writers on socialism are either its ardent expounders and supporters, or its convinced critics and denunciators. Dr. Warschauer